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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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REQUESTING KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS TO REFRAIN FROM DEVELOPING THE  
PARCEL IN HAWAII KAI COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE "GREAT LAWN".

1 WHEREAS, the Great Lawn in Hawaii Kai is bordered by Hawaii  
2 Kai Drive, Kalanianaʻole Highway, and Keahole Street across from  
3 Maunalua Bay, and is a familiar site to Hawaii Kai residents as  
4 well as visitors to Hawaii Kai; and

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6 WHEREAS, the Great Lawn is zoned as preservation land and  
7 is one of the few remaining undeveloped parcels of land in  
8 Hawaii Kai; and

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10 WHEREAS, Kamehameha Schools, who owns the land under the  
11 Great Lawn, expressed plans in 2013 for the development of the  
12 Great Lawn into a shopping complex with Foodland as its anchor  
13 tenant; and

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15 WHEREAS, the proposed development of the Great Lawn created  
16 widespread reactions throughout the Hawaii Kai community,  
17 prompting the need for a town hall meeting; and

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19 WHEREAS, more than three hundred people were in attendance  
20 at a town hall meeting held on March 21, 2013, at Kamiloiki  
21 Elementary School to voice their thoughts and opinions about the  
22 possible development of a shopping complex on the Great Lawn;  
23 and

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25 WHEREAS, in response to the outpouring of reactions to the  
26 proposed development of the Great Lawn, Kamehameha Schools has  
27 temporarily suspended its plans to develop the 4.5 acre property  
28 at the entrance of Hawaii Kai into a shopping complex; and

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30 WHEREAS, the Great Lawn is an iconic landmark to Hawaii Kai  
31 residents who have become familiar with and accustomed to the



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1 Great Lawn as an aesthetically pleasing reminder of Hawaii's  
2 natural beauty; and

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4 WHEREAS, there are other suitable site locations in Hawaii  
5 Kai for a Foodland shopping complex, for example, the Kalama  
6 Village Shopping Center could attract the kind of business that  
7 Kamehameha Schools has envisioned; and

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9 WHEREAS, the preservation of the Great Lawn will serve as a  
10 model for future lands in need of preservation and protection;  
11 now, therefore,

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13 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
14 Twenty-eighth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
15 Session of 2015, the Senate concurring, that Kamehameha Schools  
16 is requested to refrain from developing the parcel in Hawaii Kai  
17 known as the Great Lawn and instead preserve the land in its  
18 natural state; and

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20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
21 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the  
22 Board of Trustees and the Chief Executive Officer of Kamehameha  
23 Schools and the Chairperson of the Hawaii Kai Neighborhood  
24 Board.

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27 OFFERED BY:

*[Handwritten signatures: Andrew, Richard, Tony, Feli, and others]*



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